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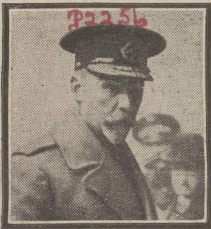
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## GUARDIANS OF THE AIR—THE MEN WHO HARASS THE HUNS



Always smiling these boys convey a feeling of confidence and security to all with whom they come into contact. They are an irresponsible crowd of boys, full of fun and frolic, but ever ready to take the air and pepper the tails of the Huns.—(Exclusive to *The Daily Mirror*.)

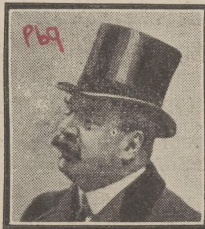
### EMPIRE'S LAST TRIBUTE TO JOHN REDMOND



General Smuts.



Sir Edward Carson.



Lord Derby.



The Prime Minister, Mrs. Lloyd George and Mr. Bonar Law arriving at the Cathedral. Many of the late Mr. Redmond's political colleagues and opponents were present at the requiem mass celebrated at Westminster Cathedral yesterday morning.

### GOTHA FALLS UPSIDE DOWN IN OUR LINES.



The above is the photograph of a wrecked Gotha which recently came down in our lines in France upside down.—(Official photograph, taken on the British western front.)



## 11 KILLED, 46 HURT IN STARLIGHT RAID.

London Attacked by Two  
German Machines.

### DOCTOR'S HEROISM.

Aurora Borealis Display That Was  
Brighter Than Moonlight.

Eleven people were killed and forty-six injured in the moonless raid made by two Gothas on London—a startling raid made possible by the vivid display of the Aurora Borealis, or "Northern Lights," which was brighter than moonlight. The phenomenon appeared as a dull red glow to the north, and at some coast towns people thought at first that it was a big fire raging at sea.

Queen Alexandra and Princess Victoria drove in a motor-car late in the afternoon to one of the districts bombed by the raiders. Her Majesty and the Princess showed great sympathy in their questions about the victims and were distressed to hear that several bodies had still to be extricated from the ruins.

Extensive damage was done to a group of houses in a north-western district.

A Miss Coxon said: "I was in my basement bedroom, when I heard a crash and my door came in."

"I heard the house falling and I dragged Mrs. Brown, aged ninety, under the bed with me. Then the whole place collapsed, and to my surprise I was able to crawl out, not having received a scratch. I got Mrs. Brown out, and she and a maid have been taken to hospital."

### DOCTOR IN SHRAPNEL HELMET.

Rescue parties worked heroically all through the night trying to extricate the people who were imprisoned under the debris.

Dr. Wright, anaesthetist, and wearing a shrapnel helmet, worked unceasingly, and, regardless of danger, gave skilled attention to many who were badly injured.

Oxygen Pumped to Buried Victims.—Two women about eighty years of age, one of whom had been ill for months, were discovered under heaps of debris in a basement, and it was late in the morning before they could be removed in ambulances.

By means of pipes Dr. Wright was able to have oxygen pumped down, as well as brandy and other stimulating tonics.

## SIX BODIES STILL BURIED.

### FROM LORD FRENCH.

Friday.—Latest police reports state that eleven persons were killed and forty-six injured in last night's aeroplane raid.

It is feared that in addition to the above six bodies are still buried in the wreckage of houses. All these casualties occurred in London.

The raid appeared to have been carried out by seven or eight enemy aeroplanes, of which two reached and bombed London.

The first two raiders approached the Isle of

### MEAT COUPONS HOLD GOOD.

Any meat coupons, either for last week or this, are now valid, and need no special understanding, until Wednesday next.

Price of Milk.—By an order issued last night the maximum prices to be charged by retailers for milk per imperial gallon will be—April 2s. 8d., May, June and July 2s., August and September 2s. 4d. Power is given Food Control Committees to buy and sell milk and to make arrangements for its distribution.

Thanet about 10.55 p.m. and proceeded up the Thames Estuary.

Both were turned back before reaching London.

Meanwhile a third raider came across the Essex coast at 11.20 p.m. and steered west.

At 11.45 p.m. it was reported over East London and a few minutes later dropped bombs in the south-western and north-western districts.

At 11.50 p.m. a fourth aeroplane which had also come in across Essex dropped bombs to the north of London and then proceeded south across the capital, dropping its remaining bombs in the northern districts between 12.20 and 12.30 a.m.

The remaining enemy machines, all of which came in across the Essex coast, were turned back they reached London.

### "MARGATE ATTACKED."

#### GERMAN OFFICIAL.

During the night of March 7-8 London, Margate and Sheerness were attacked with bombs by several aeroplanes. Good effects were observed.

### NEW USE FOR KAISER'S PRESENT.

A costly telescope given to an American by the German Emperor has, says an American wireless messenger, been loaned to the United States Navy in response to the public appeal for binoculars, etc., for use against submarines.

The telescope bears the inscription, "From Wilhelm, by God's grace, German Emperor, King of Prussia."

## BRAVED AIRSHIP FIRE

Mechanics Who Saved Crew and  
Picked Up Scorching Bombs.

### MAIMED OFFICER REWARDED.

The King has awarded the Albert Medal to Flight Lieutenant Victor Albert Watson, R.N., and the Albert Medal in gold to Air Mechanic (First Grade) Harold Victor Robinson and Boy Mechanic Eric Edward Steere, in recognition of their heroic conduct in the following circumstances:—

When a fire broke out on board one of His Majesty's airships Flight Lieutenant Watson, who was the senior officer on the spot, immediately rushed up to the car under the impression that one of the crew was still in it, although he

### £750 FOR POTATOES.

There are 15,000 parishes in England and Wales

If each of these cultivates an extra two acres of potatoes it means, reckoning a yield of only six tons to one acre, 180,000 tons more of potatoes for next winter.

The Daily Mirror's £750 prize list to encourage amateur potato growers is as follows:—

First Prize	£500
Second Prize	100
Third Prize	50
Fourth Prize	25
Fifth Prize	10
And 13 Prizes of	5

The Daily Mirror cannot undertake private correspondence about the scheme.

was well aware that there were heavy bombs attached, which were almost certain to explode at any moment.

Having satisfied himself that there was, in fact, no one in the car, he turned away to render assistance elsewhere, and at that moment a bomb exploded, a portion of it shattering Lieutenant Watson's right arm at the elbow. The arm had to be amputated almost immediately.

Air Mechanic H. V. Robinson and Boy Mechanic E. E. Steere, on the occasion of an accident to one of His Majesty's airships which caused a fire to break out one board her, approached the burning airship without hesitation, extricated the pilot and two members of the crew, all of whom were seriously injured, and then unclipped the bombs from the burning car and carried them out of reach of the fire.

As the bombs were surrounded by flames, and were so hot that they scorched the heroes' hands as they carried them, they must have expected the bombs to explode.

### AMERICA'S "D.S.C."

Decorations Our Gallant Kinsmen  
and Kinswomen Can Win.

There are five decorations for Americans.

The first, already in existence, is the Congressional Medal, conferred for extraordinary bravery by the vote of the United States Congress with the approval of the President, and the other four decorations just authorised by the President for bravery and war service are:—

(1) Distinguished Service Cross of bronze, for extraordinary heroism; (2) Distinguished Service Medal, of bronze, for exceptionally meritorious service to the Government in war time duty of great responsibility or in connection with military operations; (3) War Service Chevrons (four grades of service in war zone); and (4) Wounds Chevrons.

Women are eligible to receive the cross and medal.

In any case where the person recommended for a medal is at the time of the recommendation apparently fatally wounded or so ill as to endanger his life, any Commanding General of the Expeditionary Forces in Europe is authorised to act immediately upon the recommendation as the representative of the President.

### FIVE PINTS OF CREAM AT A PARTY

A fine of £22 ("for pure extravagance," said the Justices) was imposed yesterday at Brighton on Agnes Davis for infringement of the Cream Order.

Defendant gave her landlady a doctor's certificate enabling her to buy cream. Five pints of cream were purchased and made into trifles, custards, etc., which were served at a party.

Defendant told the Justices she had been taking cream by doctor's orders, but had no idea it was being used as stated.

### BISHOP AND DEAN IN MISHAP.

A taxicab containing the Bishop of Newcastle and the Dean of Carlisle dashed into a tramway standard in Newcastle on Thursday night. The Dean was badly cut about the face and the Bishop is suffering from shock. A favourable report of their condition was issued yesterday.

### THREW BREAD INTO FURNACE.

For throwing leaves of bread into the furnace of a ship in the Bristol Channel two Spanish seamen were sent to prison for six months at Newport (Mon.).

## CHARTERHOUSE FIRE.

Famous School at Godalming  
Suffers Serious Damage.

### 120 BOYS "HOUSELESS."

The famous Charterhouse School, Godalming, was seriously damaged by fire yesterday, and 120 boys and the staff will have to find fresh quarters.

The top floor and the roof of the block which was part of the first building, erected in 1872, were destroyed, but the inner rooms were saved. The outbreak, which is believed to have been caused by the fusing of an electric wire, started in the roof of the main block about half-past eight yesterday morning.

The school fire brigade fought the flames pending the arrival of the local firemen, and later two brigades from London joined them. After several hours' stiff work the fire was got under control.

The brigades were somewhat handicapped owing to water having to be pumped from the River Wey, about half a mile away.

The school was founded in Clerkenwell in 1611, but in 1872 was removed to Godalming, chiefly owing to the energy of its then headmaster, Dr. Haig-Brown.

There was a slight outbreak of fire at the school in May, 1913, the second floor of the Weeklies being damaged.

### HERO WHO "HELD ON."

Plucky Action That Saved Situation—D.S.O. for Captain Redmond.

How Second Lieutenant W. H. Moberley, Oxfordshire and Bucks Light Infantry, by his prompt and plucky action inspired his men to hold all objectives gained, is recorded in last night's *London Gazette*, which notifies that he has been awarded the D.S.O.

During an advance, and faced by immense difficulties, he determined to stick on to the advanced line at all costs, and thus saved the situation.

Captain W. Archer Redmond, M.P., R. Gds., Special Reserve, also receives the D.S.O.

When, following a heavy barrage, the enemy attacked in strength and a bomb fell in his post, he held the occupants, he immediately led the survivors out and drove the enemy back, which enabled him to establish a new defensive line.

## LORE OF WAR PICTURES.

Indian Soldiers' Enthusiastic Praise  
of Coloured Photographs.

The extraordinary interest which the public is taking in the first exhibition of British war photographs in colour at the Grafton Galleries was emphasised yesterday, when the doors had to be closed on five occasions in order that those members of the public who had paid for admission could see the photographs in comfort.

A number of Indian soldiers made a picturesque visit to the galleries in order to see the scenes of the war, and expressed their appreciation of the photograph showing General Allenby's entry into Jerusalem in enthusiastic terms.

A number of the Whites were also present yesterday and appeared to be highly delighted by their seaside photograph.

### CONSTABLE'S THREAT.

"Will Do Something to Deserve  
Time"—Thief from Naval Stores.

Two police constables, William Beddoes, thirty, and Robert Crook, twenty-three, found guilty at London Sessions yesterday of breaking into the Admiralty Mess Stores at the Royal Victoria Yard, Deptford, and stealing 200 knives, forks and spoons, a sauce tureen, and other articles, were each sentenced to twelve months in the second division.

Soon after midnight prisoners were found by two other police officers on their hands and knees under the table in the plate-room. On the table was the cutlery. Their explanation was that, thinking there was a fire, they went to the building and found the door open.

When Crook was sentenced he said to Mr. Lawrie: "My lord, if I come out I will do something to deserve time in the future."

### 50,000 MINERS CALLED UP.

To obtain 50,000 coal miners for the Army the Home Secretary has made an order withdrawing all certificates of exemption issued to miners who on November 2, 1915, were unmarried or widowers without any child dependent and had on January 1, 1918, attained the age of eighteen years and eight months but not the age of twenty-five.

### HUNS' LATEST INFAMY.

Speaking at the Eolian Hall last night, Captain Parsons said a clergyman, a descendant of Archbishop Macclesfield, for the fact that in a village taken by the Germans they had killed every man, woman and child with the virus of consumption under the pretext that they were vaccinating them against smallpox.

## ALL HANDS TO THE TANK TO-DAY.

London £55,925,780 Up  
and More to Go.

### ANSWER THE AIR HUNS!

Takings of London tanks yesterday... £10,141,319  
Biggest individual investment ..... 3,000,000  
Total sum subscribed in four days ..... 45,784,461  
up to Thursday ..... 45,784,461

To-day is the last day—the last day of Business Men's Week.

Those who wish to share in the triumph of London's great tank campaign must hurry up. Everybody should try to do their "bit" towards swelling the final total.

The greater the sum raised the more crushing will be London's answer to the Hun.

Here are some of yesterday's subscriptions:—

London City and Midland Bank	£3,000,000
Lloyds Bank, Ltd.	2,000,000
Capital and Counties Bank	1,000,000
Viscount Cowdray	500,000
Lord Pirbright	500,000
Glyn, Mills and Carter	500,000

A big programme of attractions drew vast crowds to Trafalgar-square yesterday. These included:—

A planiform recital by Mr. Mark Hambourg. A miniature battleship on the fountain lake. The war-scarred tank Egbert.

Aeroplane which flew from Italy to London. Pilot house of British airship. Open-air cinema. Military bands.

An additional novelty yesterday was a visit by naval airships.

One crew of an airship flying round dropped the following message:—

"Please reserve me £100 War Bonds. I am unable to come down to complete the negotiations, but will send the cheque required if you will notify me."

Chancellor's Message.—At the opening of the Hackney War Bond campaign yesterday a telegram was read from Mr. Bonar Law, in which he stated that every War Bond bought this week will show Germany to what extent we are in earnest.

To-day's Tanks.—Tanks will be seen to-day at the following places:—Hackney, near the Town Hall; Hammersmith, in the Broadway; Walthamstow, on the Recreation Ground; Woolwich, on the Common.

Applications for National War Bonds notified to the Bank of England during the first four days of this week now amount to £92,178,840.

This figure, however, is short of the actual subscription, because the four days because yesterday's returns from many remote districts have not yet been received.

### GODDARD v. ROLPH.

"Daily Mirror" to Take Exclusive  
Pictures of Great Boxing Contest.

The *Daily Mirror* is arranging to take exclusive photographs of the great glove contest between Sergeant Goddard and Sergeant Rolph at the Ring next Monday.

Both these heavy-weights have beaten everybody who has been in opposition to them up to

### MATTERS OF MOMENT.

The following striking articles will appear in to-morrow's *London Pictorial*:—

A WORD WITH TOMMY'S WIFE.—By Horatio Bottomley.

THE FUTURE OF PALESTINE.—Modern Jewry and the Promised Land—by Israel Zangwill, the eminent author.

THE RUSS ROAD TO VICTORY.—By John Leyland, the well-known writer on naval topics.

TRUTH ABOUT THE W.A.A.C.s.—By M. O. Kennedy.

the present, and the winner of the contest will have a clear title to challenge "Bombardier" Wells for the championship of England.

Mr. Eugene Corri will referee the bout.

### NEWS ITEMS.

Spanish Cabinet Resigns.—MADRID, Friday.—The Cabinet has resigned.—Reuter.

Royal Visit to Reading.—The King and Queen will visit Reading on Tuesday, March 12.

Don't Touch Shells.—Great risk is run by persons who handle unexploded anti-aircraft shells. When such shells are found they should not be touched, but the police should be immediately informed.—Commissioner of Police.

M. Litvinoff Loses.—Mr. Justice Neville dismissed yesterday with costs the application of M. Litvinoff, the Bolshevik "Ambassador," for a renewal of the injunction restraining his landlord from locking him out of his offices in Victoria-street.

Measles and Air Raid Shelters.—Shoreditch is suffering from an outbreak of measles, and the superintendent of Shoreditch Infirmary, at an inquest yesterday, attributed the spread of the disease to people crowding into shelters during air raids.

A Lancashire middle-weight boxer who has made a name for himself in the North of England, "Slogger" Davies, of Blackpool, will make his debut at the Ring this evening, where he is due to contest fifteen rounds against Private Bill Bristowe, of the Army Service Corps.



# ARTILLERY LIVELINESS ON THE WESTERN FRONT

## R.F.C. Brigade Praised for Downing 18 Machines in One Day Without Loss.

### KAISER'S JOY AT HUN GRIP OF BALTIC.

## General Hoffmann Apologises for Advance in Russia—How the Huns Bullied Rumania About Peace.

**In the West.**—There was artillery fighting in the Ypres sector and German artillery activity on the French front at La Pompelle and Avocourt. On the Italian front the guns were active on the Asiago plateau.

**Kaiser's Joy.**—The Kaiser has sent a joy message to Prussia saying that the Germanisation of the Baltic is now secure.

**Spain.**—The Spanish Government has resigned.

**The Peace Bully.**—The German peace ultimatum to Rumania was to the effect that if she did not sign peace Rumania would be divided up between Bulgaria and Hungary.

**Our Airmen's Bag.**—The First Brigade of the R.F.C. has been congratulated on downing eighteen enemy aeroplanes in a day without loss.

## BIG GUNS BUSY NEAR RIBECOURT AND YPRES.

### Germans Sustain Serious Losses in Raid in Lorraine.

#### BRITISH OFFICIAL.

**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, Friday.**—The enemy's artillery was active last night in the neighbourhood of Ribecourt and in the Scarpe Valley.

Considerable artillery activity developed also on both sides in the Ypres sector between the Menin road and Houthulst Forest.

#### FRENCH OFFICIAL.

**Friday Afternoon.**—There was fairly great activity on the part of the enemy's artillery before La Pompelle and in the region of Avocourt.

In Lorraine we repulsed a strong enemy raid against Moncel.

The enemy, who sustained serious losses, left about ten prisoners, including an officer, in our hands.

The night was quiet on the rest of the front.—*Reuter.*

**Mystery of Foe Plans.**—*PARIS, Friday.*—The expert French commentator, writing last night, says:—

"The Allies' and enemy's communications alike continue to report only secondary operations. Hardly any event of importance is noted on the French front save cannonading and raids at various points.

Such operations as have taken place give no indication concerning the Germans' plans, supposing that an attack is going to come from their side. There is nothing to do, therefore, but wait patiently and confidently.—*Reuter.*

**Swarming with Huns.**—*AMSTERDAM, Friday.*—The Echo Belge reports that Bruges for some time has been swarming with German troops, arriving or departing. The average number in the city has never been less than from 25,000 to 30,000 men.—*Central News.*

## BRITISH SUPERIORITY IN FLANDERS RAIDS.

### Lack of Hun Volunteers for Attacks—Foe Still Massing Troops.

**PARIS, Friday.**—The Petit Journal correspondent on the British front says: "The regime of raid, which is continuing in Flanders, does not appear to be favouring the Germans.

In the course of the past fortnight the British have launched eight raids in this sector, all of them entirely successful, while the Germans have launched seven, of which six failed completely.

The German officers complain of a lack of volunteers for these raids. Though the quality of the German troops may be lowered, however, there is no diminution in their numbers.

Menin has become a veritable Teutonic barracks, practically all the civilians having been removed. The marked reinforcement of enemy batteries is noteworthy on the whole front, coinciding with the violent bombardments between Lens and Flesquières, while in the St. Quentin region the Germans are engaged in significant work, big gangs of pioneers throwing supplementary bridges over the canal.—*Central News.*

## SPANISH CABINET RESIGNS

**MADRID, Friday.**—The Cabinet has resigned.—*Reuter.*

## BERLIN CLAIMS ENGLISH AND BELGIAN RAID PRISONERS.

### Story of Reconnaissances and Lively Gunfire in Lorraine.

#### GERMAN OFFICIAL.

**Friday.**—Prince Rupprecht's Front.—By the execution of successful reconnaissances thirty Belgians were taken prisoners east of Mercken and twenty-three English were taken prisoners north-east of Festubert.

The artillery and mine-thrower fire revived during the evening in some sectors.

Storming detachments brought back a number of French prisoners as the result of a thrust east of Lanreville (south of Berry au Bac).

Otherwise the fighting activity was limited to destruction fire, which temporarily increased on the western bank of the Meuse.

**Duke Albrecht's Army.**—On the Lorraine front the French artillery between Selle and Plaine developed lively activity.—*Admiralty per Wireless.*

## ITALIANS PUT ATTACKING PARTIES TO FLIGHT.

### Naval Seaplanes Drop Two Tons of Bombs on Foe Encampments.

#### ITALIAN OFFICIAL.

**Friday.**—In the basin of Laghi (Posina) our patrols efficaciously harassed the adversary, calling forth a brisk reaction of fire.

In Val Riodredo (Asiago Plateau) hostile parties which made an attempt to reach our line were met by machine gun bursts of fire and put to flight.

Along the eastern sector of the Asiago Plateau and in the region of Ponte della Priulana the opposed artilleries displayed intermittently more activity.

British batteries and airmen brought down a hostile aircraft and set fire to two captive balloons.

Naval seaplanes dropped two tons of bombs over the enemy's hutments and encampments below Grisolea (Lower Piave).—*Central News.*

## CONGRATULATIONS TO FIRST BRIGADE OF R.F.C.

### 18 Enemy Aeroplanes Downed in One Day Without Loss.

The Commander-in-Chief has requested Army commanders to convey to commander and all ranks of the First Brigade, R.F.C. his best congratulations on their splendid success in bringing down eighteen enemy aeroplanes in one day, and to state that he is very glad to hear that all our aeroplanes returned safely.

## SERB CABINET RESIGNS.

**CORFU, Thursday (received yesterday).**—Prince Alexander, the Serbian Prince Regent, has accepted the resignation of the Cabinet, headed in by M. Paskich on February 27, and has requested the old Cabinet to continue in office until the constitution of a new Ministry.—*Reuter.*

## HOFFMANN APOLOGISES FOR ADVANCE IN RUSSIA.

### Kaiser's Boast About "the Germanisation of the Baltic."

**PETROGRAD, Friday.**—General Hoffmann has telegraphed to the Maximalist Commander-in-Chief, Krylenko, apologising for the military operations carried out at several points by the German troops since the declaration of the armistice.

General Hoffmann asserts that these operations were due to the sporadic movements of disorganised Russian detachments and declares that all regions occupied since the conclusion of peace will immediately be evacuated.

A line of demarcation between the Russian and German troops was fixed yesterday. The line runs three versts north of Pskov and six versts east of the Pskov-Dvinsk railway.—*Reuter.*

Krylenko has also received the following:—"The Austro-Hungarian troops, in lending their aid to the Ukraine, have only engaged in the fighting at places where the enemy resistance has to be broken.—(Signed) The Imperial and Royal Command.—Admiralty per Wireless Press.

### "OUR GREAT VICTORY."

**AMSTERDAM, Thursday (received yesterday).**—The Berlin papers to-day publish the following reply sent by the Kaiser to the President of the Prussian Lower House on the occasion of the conclusion of peace with Russia:—"Our victory in the east is one of the greatest successes in the world's history, the full significance of which only our grandchildren will richly appreciate.

"That, as far as human judgment can foretell, the Germanisation of the Baltic lands is now made secure for all time is a great joy and satisfaction to me.

"May God soon give us the final victory. I am full of deep gratitude to the army and to its great leaders."—*Reuter.*

**AMSTERDAM, Thursday (received yesterday).**—To-day's war news credits the Soviet Deputy Army with a series of new victories in the southern districts over the remnants of the so-called Kaledine Army.

**"Bitter Feeling Against Lenin."**—*STOCKHOLM, Friday.*—Fugitives who have arrived at Haparanda from Petrograd state that the peace treaty with Germany has aroused exceedingly bitter feelings against Lenin and Trotsky, who will probably suffer a crushing defeat at the General Congress in Moscow on the 17th inst.—*Exchange.*

### REPUDIATING STATE LOANS.

**PETROGRAD, Friday.**—The Higher Economic Council here announces that it has decided to order the immediate carrying into effect of the decree annulling Russian State loans.—*Reuter.*

## HUN TALK OF FLEMISH INDEPENDENCE.

### Belgian Governor-General's Offer to "Council of Flanders."

**AMSTERDAM, Friday.**—According to a Brussels telegram, General von Falkenhayn, the Governor-General of Belgium, yesterday received the Plenipotentiaries of the "Council of Flanders" [these people are the Pro-Germans], who announced the reconstitution of the Council.

In his reply the Governor-General said: "I can assure you that the Imperial Chancellor and I stand, as before, on the ground of Herr von Bethmann-Hollweg's declaration of March 3, 1917, in which he assured your deputation that the German Empire would at the peace negotiations and after the peace do everything which could serve to promote and safeguard the free development of the Flemish race."

Following on the Chancellor's declaration, administrative separation has been carried out with the clear political object of helping the Flemish people to their independence which corresponds to their numbers, special "kultur" and glorious history.

To determine now the means whereby independence shall be assured to Flanders after the conclusion of peace would be premature.

The Flemish people will have to recognise that an opportunity is offered them now or never to create the foundations of that independence to which they have an undeniable claim. Your task in the next few months will be to prepare the Flemish people for that big decision which the conclusion of peace must bring them.—*Reuter.*

## SALONIKA NEXT?

**PARIS, Friday.**—M. Marcel Hutin writes in the Echo de Paris:—

Nothing particularly important is reported either on the Italian or on those of the Army in the East, but it is difficult to suppose that, when the weather permits, the Germans and Bulgarians, "now that Mackensen is free on the Rumanian side," will not return their attention to the Salonika front.

The lines of communication which would enable the enemy to debouch on the Allied frontiers are extremely difficult.—*Exchange.*

## HOW THE MAILED FIST CRUSHED RUMANIA.

### Threat to Seize and Divide the Whole Country.

## PETROL FOR THE HUNS.

**PARIS, Friday.**—The Jassy correspondent of the Petit Parisien telegraphs details of a conversation which he has had with General Averescu.

The Rumanian Premier told him that when the interview between the King and Count Czernin failed to produce the expected results Germany and Austria demanded from Rumania an immediate and satisfactory reply, threatening otherwise to divide the entire country between Bulgaria and Hungary.

The threat was confirmed by the ultimatum delivered on March 2, and General Averescu's request for a short delay was curtly refused.—*Central News.*

**PARIS, Friday.**—The Homme Libre (M. Clemenceau's paper) says:—

"The crushing of Rumania is the negation of the right of peoples, and if unrepented this war would result in the triumph of brute force and the end of the civilised world."

"But this will not be so long as there exists in the world a single free democracy. Have confidence, noble Rumanians. The trial will pass away and you shall yet live."—*Exchange.*

### BULGARIA'S SHARE OF THE SPOIL.

**AMSTERDAM, Thursday (received yesterday).**—The Berliner Tageblatt, commenting on the proposed peace treaty with Rumania, says:—

"The eight divisions which, according to the peace treaty, must now be demobilised, comprise, of course, those parts of the Rumanian Army which are at present on the Sereth part of the Rumanian front. Rumania can, however, leave the remainder of its army under arms until it has conquered Bessarabia and arranged for its protection against the Russians. Bulgaria undoubtedly profits the most from the treaty.—*Reuter.*

**COPENHAGEN, Friday.**—A message from Berlin states that in the peace negotiations with Rumania which will shortly begin Germany will demand a part of the Rumanian petrol industry and the surplus of the Rumanian wheat harvest. No indemnity will be asked for and the requisition for cession of marks will also not be enforced.—*Exchange.*

### The Return of the Missions.—PARIS, Friday.

The Petit Parisien, commenting on the question of repatriating the Allied Missions in Jassy through the enemy countries, says: "This question has been much discussed in Paris and London. We should like to see the Missions return through Siberia and free from the obligation of availing themselves of enemy territories."—*Reuter.*

## MR. LANSING'S STIRRING MESSAGE ON WAR AIMS.

### "We Shall Fight Till Destruction of Prussian Militarism."

**PARIS, Friday.**—The Excelsior to-day publishes an article by Mr. Lansing, United States Secretary of State, declaring that the present war is also that of America, who wishes to destroy, cost what it may, the spirit of autocracy wherever it may be found.

"The United States," continues Mr. Lansing, "are striving for their own liberty and security. I congratulate you on the splendid spirit of Pan-American fraternity, and I rejoice at seeing the seeds of discord sown between Japan and the United States completely rooted out."

Mr. Lansing says that the Allies are taking steps to assure the perfect co-ordination of their activities and to obtain the most efficient disposal of their forces.

"We entered this conflict," concludes Mr. Lansing, "with the natural reluctance of a peace-loving nation, but now we want a definitive peace, and we shall fight until the destruction of Prussian militarism, together with all its evil consequences.

"When our ships come back autocracy will be no more. A new era of peace, based on the immortal principles of justice and humanity, will illumine the earth."—*Reuter.*

## TURK WITHDRAWAL TALE

#### TURKISH OFFICIAL.

**PALESTINE FRONT, Thursday (received yesterday).**—There has been artillery activity along the whole front.

To the east of Warimaje the English made an attempt to approach our trenches, but they were compelled to withdraw to a distance of some 1,800 yards.

On the Anatolian coast an enemy vessel advanced towards Arslan Burnu.

Our artillery drove it off immediately. Some hits were observed.



## FOR CHARITY



Lady Islington, who is raising funds for the Bethnal Green Nursery by giving two special performances of "Patria" at the Pavilion, Marble Arch.

## TREE-FELLING IN NORTH FRANCE.



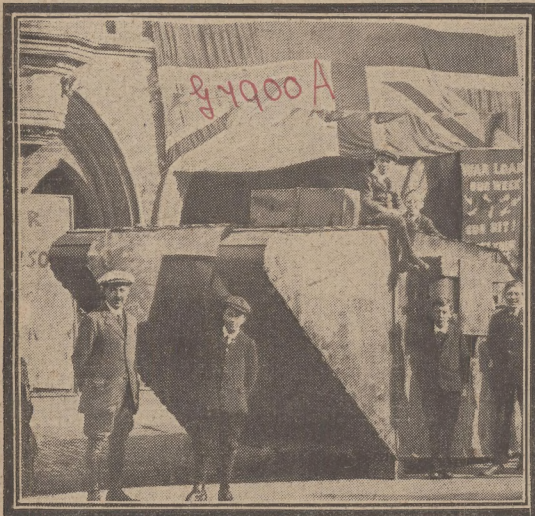
A considerable portion of the forestry work necessary for the advance of our armies on the western front is being performed by Indians, who are experts in this branch of industry. The above photograph shows a native officer with a party of Indian tree fellers.—(Official photograph taken on the British western front in France.)

## NOT A CINEMA "T"



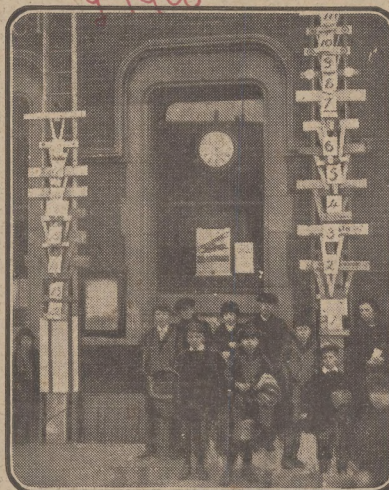
Some of the non-combatant work at the front is by no means uninteresting. The above photograph shows the dismantling of an old bridge on the L.

## BERKHAMSTED BOYS CONSTRUCT A TANK.



The boys of the Victoria Schools, Berkhamsted, with the help of a local timber merchant, have constructed a tank for the designs of the master.

## AN AEROPLANE LADDER.



Wisbech is endeavouring to provide twenty-two aeroplanes this week. A ladder fitted with wooden aeroplanes, outside the post-office marks progress achieved.

## NEPTUNE "TAKES COVER."



Paris is covering all her monuments. The statues at Versailles have practically disappeared from view.—(French official.)

## KEEP UP THE SUPPLY OF PORK.



Members of the Ladies' Co-operative Farm, Sussex, are here seen setting off to feed the pigs to increase the supply of pork in the country.

## TORPEDOED



BAR TO D.C.M.—Co-Sgt. Maj. J. W. Milne, the first to receive a D.C.M. for bravery in the Dardanelles. Now awarded a bar.



NEW O.B.E.—Miss Mary King, of New York, who came to England in 1914 purposely to take up nursing.



APPOINTMENT.—Lieut. Col. H. C. Cole, of the War Office, appointed Deputy-Director of Cairns, Hirsings, etc., at General Headquarters, France.



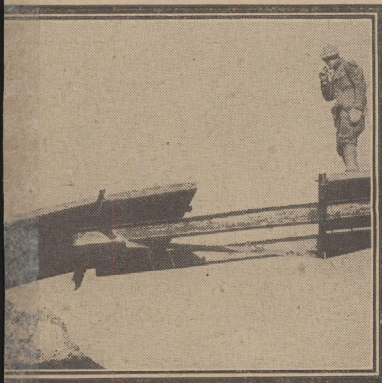
Lieutenant A. J. D. B. from the armed cruiser C. by the Germans in the Br. were married at Portsmouth in the photograph on the bride is seen.



GRIMSBY AND WAR BONDS.—The Mayor of Grimsby receiving from Mr. G. Tickler a cheque for £50,000 purchase of War Bonds.



# "LL"—BUT A FACT.



devoid of danger. Here are a group of Canadians  
(Canadian official photograph.)

## MARRIED.



R.N.R., a survivor  
which was torpedoed  
annel, and Miss Isworth.  
The bridegroom is seen  
of the bridesmaid; his  
e best man.



M.M.—Cpl. G. Hoekley,  
M.M., who with a rationing  
party helped to reinforce a  
company that had severely  
suffered in action.



WOMAN M.C.—Mrs. Mary  
Ellen Smith, of Vancouver,  
B.C., is the world's first  
woman to hold her hus-  
band's seat in Parliament.

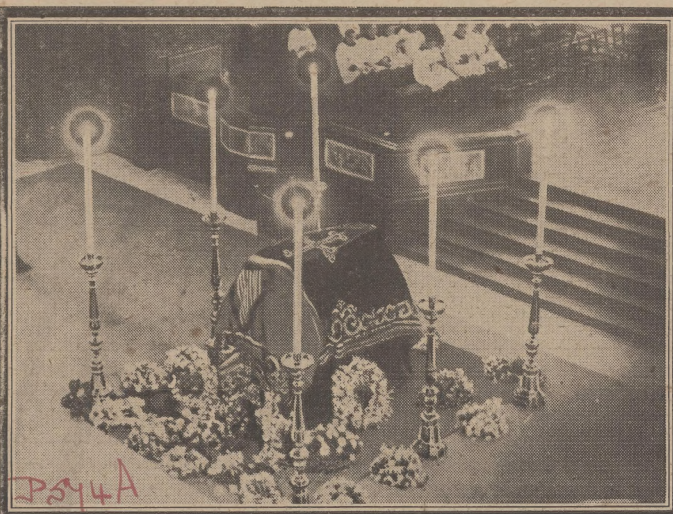


BARONET'S WIFE.—The  
Hon. Mrs. Hope, wife of  
Lieut.-Col. J. A. Hope,  
M.P., who succeeds to the  
title of his uncle, Sir Alex-  
ander Hope.



VERY LITTLE HELPS.—Cadets in Devonshire are "do-  
ing their bit" on the land at the present time, as  
well as engaging in military service.

# REQUIEM MASS FOR MR. REDMOND



A requiem for the late Mr. John Redmond, M.P., was celebrated at Westminster Cathedral yesterday. There were many distinguished people present, including the Prime Minister.

## J.P. AND FIGHTER, TOO.



Corpl. E. Benstead, J.P.—with Mrs. Benstead—the  
working-man magistrate, is taking up a commission.

## THREE HAPPY SONS OF CANADA.



Our Canadian cousins appear to enjoy their perusal of the Canadian Daily Record in the trenches at Lens.—(Canadian official photograph.)

## JOCKEYS BACK FROM GERMANY.



William Warne and Harry Aylin, two English jockeys, released from Germany, are now back at Newmarket. Aylin taking his mount out for a morning exercise. (Inset, William Warne.)

# IN HOLLAND



Captain Lord J. Stewart-Murray, Cameron Highlander, brother of the Duke of Atholl, prisoner of war in Germany, has arrived in Holland for internment.

## THE VERY LATEST IN HELMETS.



Women as well as men are now buying steel helmets in the London shops. It is a graceful compliment to our fighters.



# Daily Mirror

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 1918.

## WHEN TO ENTERTAIN.

AN amiable lady has just shown that she is "unwearing in war work" by declaring that, in future, she will "only entertain on meatless days."

We have heard others explain that now they only issue invitations for moonless evenings. Quiet starlit nights are not popular for balls, according to some people. A margarineless day is unpopular for a luncheon.

We are not trying to write social gossip, or to chronicle the war "modes"; but only to report, as from a humble distance, those evidences still traceable of the former friendly impulse. It was pleasant (some thought), in the bad pre-war days, to gather guests and to give them the best food and wine and flowers at one's command. It is still pleasant, in worse war days, to see one's friends occasionally. The difficulty is—when? Not on moonlit nights; not on moonless nights; not in the daytime, for they're busy war working; not at teatime, for tea is a difficulty; not in War Bond Week, for all one's money ought, that week, to go into War Bonds. When? There seem to be no occasions left.

The pessimistic Puritan—also unwearing in war work—will say: "Never!" Enough, emphatically, of all these delights! There are few taxis. The other vehicles are crowded. The streets are dark. We are tired of discussing how long the war will last and of hearing that it will last until we sheathe the sword—that is, until it ends. We are tired of hearing quite abundant food apologetically for as though it were not enough; tired of being told that "of course" it is a very small dinner, when obviously it's quite a large one. Stay at home. Do nothing or go on with your war work.

On occasion we too have given the advice. But all to no purpose.

People are dining out. The maroons do not deter them from fox-trotting. Are there no taxis? We can walk. It is only across the square. There is indeed not the former extravagance in food at parties. We do not, as in old days, have eggs and bacon just before dawn, or hot soup on leaving. We are satisfied with less. But we will not give up going about. We want to see "people." We must tell other people what war work we are doing; we must tell them what we assure them they mustn't tell anybody else—the secrets of the war. We must explain that we are unwearied. We must go to the Revues.

In other words, we need all this more than ever by way of distraction. Once a bore, the social side of things has become a need. We require it. In times of trouble few like solitude. We gather for companionship. Even a foodless day, depend upon it, there would be foodless dinners. Before the flood, they feasted. During the flood, they ate fish. After the flood they entertained. They will entertain when other cosmic catastrophes threaten. And it is good that they should do so.

It shows that we keep up our spirit. We admire the symptom—so long as War Bonds do not suffer. We are sure, that, before the final conflagration (we speak of the world's end) dinner-invitations will be extended for the fatal night—"in case, don't you know, the end of the world doesn't come, after all!" And, if it does, better to carry on.

W. M.

## IN MY GARDEN.

MARCH 8.—The successful cultivation of vegetables depends largely on three things—the thorough and correct preparation of the soil, the use of good seed and sowing at the proper time. When March arrives many amateurs, regardless of weather conditions, start putting seeds in the ground.

It must be remembered, however, that to sow in wet, sticky soil is useless. One must wait for good weather and then make the most of the favourable period.

E. F. T.

## A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

The more judgment a man has the slower he will be to condemn.—*Meurice.*

# TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

News and Views About Men, Women, and Affairs in General

## THE MOONLESS RAID.

The King's Kindly Act—A "Home Rule for Wales" Demand.

UNABLE TO BLAME the moon, some people were making the Northern Lights responsible for the latest raid on London. We did not see them in London, but I hear they made the coast "as light as day," as people call it. People going home from the theatres were just in time for the maroons; and the gunfire was heavier than I remember.

**Armoured.**—The inspector at a suburban police station looked as surprised as inspectors ever permit themselves to look when two "specials" reported for air-raid duty, one in chain-mail and the other in plate-armour. The explanation was that they were members

**The Requiem.**—Westminster Cathedral was full of political and military folk of note for the impressive requiem for Mr. Redmond. As I went in Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd George were walking up the aisle, followed by General Smuts. Then came Mrs. Asquith. Sir Colin Keppel was there for the King.

**Humble Folk.**—But what would have touched the great Irishman most was the crowd of humble people who came to pay tribute. One I noticed was a blind news-vendor, led in by a policeman. He used to sell Mr. Redmond his evening papers.

**Music and Raids.**—Ours is a very musical Army. I noticed two brigadiers at Mr. Gervase Elwes' concert this week, and now hear that both General Sir Ian Hamilton and General Ashmore—who fights the Gothas for

For the Sailors.—I do not usually mention ladies' ages, but Miss Agnes Weston, whom you see here, makes no secret of her length of years. She is seventy-eight this month, having been born in what she terms "dear, smoky old London" in 1840. She is, by the by, a relative of General Sir A. Hunter-Weston.



Miss Agnes Weston.

## Her Message.

Miss Weston's work for the benefit of our sailors is too well known to need any comment of mine. Her Royal Sailors' Rests at Portsmouth and Devonport have benefited thousands of bluejackets. When I asked her for a message to the Navy she said, "Tell the boys that we are prouder of the British bluejacket than ever, and more so!"

**What It Means.**—The recipient yesterday showed me with satisfaction a letter from Lord Rosebery, in reply to a question as to the meaning of the name The Durdians. Lord Rosebery thinks that his Epsom house was originally Durdan's, and called after some Durdan or other who lived there.

**Match Economy.**—I hear of a woman who for threepence a week—Sundays not included—will call at your house early in the morning and set light to your fire. She carries a lighted taper from one place to another, and already she has nearly three dozen customers.

**The Spring Colour.**—I am not in the confidence of the modistes, but from un instructed male observation, I believe that pale mauve will be the spring colour for women's frocks and hats. Anyhow, I have seen a lot of it about, both in the shop windows and on feminine forms.

**As Bad as "Camouflage."**—I think we are all getting rather tired of the catch-phrase, "Don't you know there's a war on?" Yesterday, in Farringdon-street, I heard a hawker merchant encouraging a laggard donkey with the well-worn exhortation.

**On the Staff.**—Lord Morley is now a staff lieutenant. He, I may point out, is not the venerable Viscount who was a member of the last Government but one, but the Earl of Morley, a Territorial captain.

**Reflecting.**—There are still some copies of "Daily Mirror Reflections" waiting to be sent to the boys in hospital or at the front. And the price of this smile-making collection of cartoons is but the silver shilling, or two sixpences would do.

**Great Crowds.**—There were wonderful crowds again yesterday at the Grafton Galleries. Everybody who is anybody seems desirous of seeing the first exhibition of British War Photographs in Colour.

**Not There.**—I wish Lieutenant Brooke were out of bed. If he could only see the delight and, I may say, the amazement which has been caused amongst the general public by his work as a photographer I am sure that he would be well to-morrow.

**Goddard and Ralph.**—I saw Sergeant Dick Burge yesterday and asked him whom he would tip as the winner of the great contest between Goddard and Ralph at the Ring next Monday evening. "I cannot say," replied Sergeant Burge. "All I can tell you is that they are the best heavy-weights in the Empire apart from Wells."

**A Story-Teller.**—One of the successes of the new "Box of Tricks" at the Hippodrome is made by Miss Daphne Pollard, for which reason I herewith show you her picture. She is an Australian by birth, and came to London via New York. It was rather a roundabout route, but some aspiring artists do not get here at all. Miss Pollard can tell stories as well as dance.



Miss Daphne Pollard.

**On the Walls.**—Miss Madge Titheradge is following in the footsteps of so many ornaments of the legitimate stage and succumbing to the lure of variety. She will do some recitations at the Victoria Palace next week.

THE RAMBLER.

## ALL THAT THEY HAVE IN WAR BONDS!



It is the last day of "business man's week." The motto is, "Give all that you have." As in an optimistic vision our cartoonist sees the business man going to work and returning, having given all, to-night.—(By W. K. Haselden.)

of a dramatic society which had been giving a medieval play, and had not "changed."

**The King's Kindness.**—A pleasing story of the King's consideration for his subjects reaches me. It appears that a recipient of the O.B.E. arrived at Buckingham Palace to be invested a week too soon. It was explained to him that his name was on the list for the same day of the following week.

**Put Forward.**—"What am I to do?" he asked. "I came from Wales, and I do not want to do the double journey twice." This situation was explained in the highest quarters, and the too-eager Welshman was able to go home the same day with his Order.

**"John Bull."**—I spent a pleasant hour yesterday chatting with Mr. W. B. Woodgate, who, now that Sir Oswald Mosley is no more, alone carries on the John Bull tradition in appearance and costume. His racy reminiscences were a joy and a delight. He rowed for Oxford in 1862 and 1863, and is full of stories of rowing men, rips, politicians and personalities.

us—are to be at the Music Club concert of Mr. John Ireland's works.

**Welsh Home Rule.**—Mr. E. T. John, M.P., the Welsh ironmaster, was avowing the other day his belief in Home Rule for Wales upon federal lines. So far, however, he has not converted even his own Welsh colleagues.

**A Gallant Family.**—Let us congratulate Major Lewis Pugh Evans, V.C., D.S.O., on his promotion to the command of a battalion of the Royal Highlanders. He is a son of Lady Evans, of Aberystwyth, and comes of a fighting family, for his uncle is General Sir J. Hills Jones, the veteran Welsh V.C.

**"High" Fish.**—Fishmongers are a gloomy lot just now. The retail price of their ware is fixed, but the wholesale price is not. Wherefore they sometimes have to sell it at less than they gave, which is absurd.

**Questions.**—Mr. Hume Williams has taken this to heart, and is going to ask questions in the Commons about it. Mr. Hume Williams, by the by, sits for an inland division







# A WORD WITH TOMMY'S WIFE: BY MR. HORATIO BOTTOMLEY, IN THE "SUNDAY PICTORIAL."

## Daily Mirror

### FOUR NEW D.S.O.s.



Com. Richard Matthew King, in the uniform of a lieutenant-commander, awarded the Distinguished Service Order for gallantry at sea last year.



Lieut.-Com. Edward Osborne Broadley, Royal Navy, awarded the Distinguished Service Order for services similar to those of his comrades.



Com. Gerald Mackworth, Royal Navy, another gallant seaman, awarded the Distinguished Service Order for services in destroyer and torpedo-boat flotillas.



Capt. Victor Henry Parr, M.C., Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, awarded the Distinguished Service Order for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty.

### HAPPILY REUNITED FAMILY.



Armorer-Sergeant Jarvis, A.O.C., whose three sons luckily managed to arrive home together on leave from the western front. Two are serving with the Canadian Forces and the youngest with the Household Battalion.

### ETON PREPARES FOR THE FOOD CAMPAIGN.



The boys digging in the school grounds.



Carting away the rubbish in wheelbarrows.

Boys belonging to Eton School undertake war work in their spare time to assist in the growing of vegetables for the augmentation of the food supplies. On their allotments they grow all the vegetables which are used in the college.

### LAND GIRLS AT THE SEASIDE.



Two women workers on the land on the front at Brighton explaining farm work to two prospective recruits.

### ENGAGED.



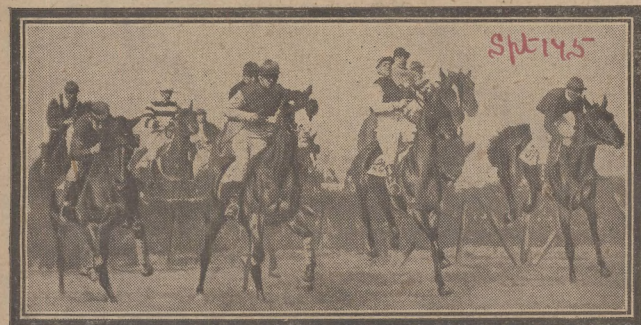
Miss Rachel A. Erskine, daughter of Sir David Erskine, of Cardross, K.C.V.O., whose engagement to marry Mr. A. C. B. Webb is announced.

### THE SPY MYSTERY.



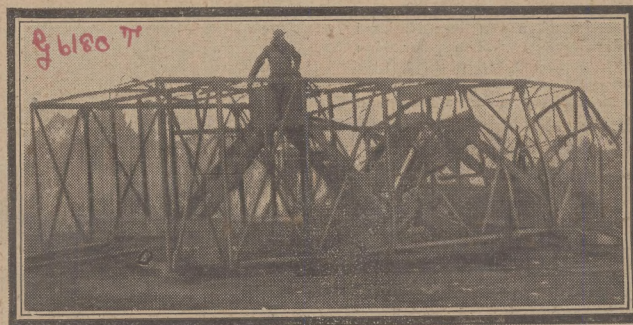
The well-known French boxer Guiller, whose wife, known as Mlle. Suze Depsy, has been arrested in connection with the notorious spy case in Paris.

### OVER THE TOP AT GATWICK.



The horses entered in the Coulsdon Selling Handicap Hurdle Race at Gatwick Steeplechase Meeting (second day) taking the first hurdle.

### RUINED GERMAN OBSERVATION POST.



This heap of splintered debris was a very efficient enemy observation post until the Canadian artillery got busy on it.—(Canadian official.)